

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A rolled covering material, for use in covering a support surface by overlapping adjacent strips of said covering material, said rolled covering material comprising:

a substrate having upper and lower surfaces;

an asphalt composition saturating said substrate and coating a portion of said upper surface of said substrate to form a decorative surface area and a clean surface area on said upper surface of said substrate;

granules adhered to an upper surface of said asphalt composition on said decorative surface area;

an adhesive composition disposed on at least a portion of said bottom surface of said substrate to form an adhesive surface area, wherein said adhesive surface area adheres to said clean surface area when overlapping strips of two adjacent covering materials are applied to cover said support surface such that substantially only said decorative surface areas of said adjacent covering materials are exposed; and

a release backing disposed over said adhesive surface area.

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